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DEATH.

On April 18th, at his residence No. 26, Elgin Street, Macelline de Souza, late consort of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd., in his 68th year.

Funeral will pass the Monument at 5.15 p.m. this afternoon. Friends are invited to attend.

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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, APRIL 19TH, 1906.

Most people having grown accustomed to the idea of Japan as a potential rival in commerce will be surprised to learn that Dr. RUTHERFORD HARRIS does not think Japanese competition need be feared at all under existing conditions. He speaks of "the small and infantile scale on which Japan's industries are conducted", and considers that any prospect of Japanese commercial supremacy, even in China, is exceedingly doubtful. Japanese Government returns and business statistics have been telling the world a more flattering tale; and that the lion's share of what the enormous China market has to offer would ultimately fall to Japan has been regarded as almost a foregone conclusion. Possibly the other commercial nations have been taking Japanese success too much for granted; in view of recent military achievements; and will now feel somewhat relieved by Dr. RUTHERFORD HARRIS's statements.

"Although the Japanese are strong and united when confronted by a foreign enemy, they return, he says, to their former state of petty domestic dissension and seeking after small gain as soon as the tension is withdrawn. In my opinion, so long as the better classes do not take seriously to business, and devote time and take pleasure in empty political talk, no real progress will be made in commerce and industry. The existence of a class of men, without any definite occupation, who depend on the production of others for their living, is to be deprecated. English sixty years ago resembled Japan of today in many respects. At that time there were very few better-class Englishmen who pursued any business. Since then,

however, a complete change has taken place, and there are now many high-class men who are leaders in commerce and industry. An example in this direction set by some rich and enterprising Japanese peers will have the effect of breaking down the existing prejudice. At the same time, if men like Mr. Asano and Mr. Okura, who have accumulated wealth by their own efforts, were, by means of magnificent mansions and luxurious living, to show what success in business means, it would have the effect of arousing the wealthy but slumbering peers and others to a sense of the situation."

From the foregoing quotation it will be seen that even Dr. HARRIS's words used to be carefully weighed; he appears to have taken a too sweeping view of the matter. England, the nation of shopkeepers, still has its "class of men who depend on the production of others for their living," but like the Samurai of Japan and the plutocrats of America, they are not sufficiently numerous to detract the commercial progress of the country. The plausibility of this criticism of Japan vanishes as soon as the argument is realised; the critic makes too much of the well-known Samurai tradition. Taking into consideration the comparatively short period since the Japanese graduated in trade and manufacture, we should think twice about calling their industries "small and infantile." They may be small from the American point of view, but then America takes pride in big things. Since the Japanese Commercial Code was revised six or seven years ago, there has been no lack of undertakings to satisfy Western ideas of importance; and after all, the statistics of exported commodities tell a more trustworthy tale than can an individual sightseer after a more or less cursory survey. America generally, where commerce is concerned, appears to put a much more respectful estimate on the importance of the island empire; and it is possible that we may soon hear of a reciprocal treaty between the two countries, which Japan will abolish the duty on American wheat and flour, and America reduce by fifty per cent. or so the duty on Japanese silk fabrics. A new treaty on these lines, which should have the effect of greatly developing trade between the two nations, is, we understand, being talked of on both sides of the Pacific.

Mr. J. R. Michael has left for a year's holiday in England.

The King of Annam has been lavishly feted on the occasion of his visit to Tonkin.

Over 1,600 men purchased their discharge from the army during the year ending September 30th.

The official summer will soon be here. Already the police and military have discarded their winter uniforms, and pukaas are being got in order again.

Over 25,000 discharged soldiers and reservists were found employment through the various army employment agencies during the year ending September 30th.

The members of the Corinthian Yacht Club spent a pleasant week-end at Poti O, whither they were conveyed on Saturday evening in Mr. Pepper's schooner May.

During the five days ending on April 17th, 23 cases of plague were recorded, 20 of them fatal. By noon yesterday, eight more cases, all fatal, were on record, making the total to date 171.

It was reported in town yesterday that a matchless theatre in Macao had been blown down on Tuesday afternoon. The wind was blowing typhoon force at the time and it is probable that the collapse was attended with loss of life.

Mr. James Lawrie, Government Marine Surveyor, who is well-known both in Singapore and Penang, died suddenly on April 8th. Deceased was assistant Government Engineer Surveyor in 1883, resigned in 1884, was reappointed in 1887, and went to Penang in 1904.

The Hon. Mr. R. Shevan left for home yesterday by the *Express of India*. Prior to his departure, he was presented by the office staff with a set of books. It is three years since Mr. Shevan left on his previous holiday. He received a hearty send-off yesterday from many friends. There is a rumour that he will not return alone.

Messrs. Carlowitz & Co. have suffered the loss of a dwelling house at Hankow, by fire. It was occupied by their foreign staff at the river port. The *Hankow Daily News* says that seven hundred houses, occupying a square mile, were gutted by the same fire, the largest ever experienced in Hankow.

The statement is published in some of the American papers that Lord Kitchener has worried the Indian army almost into a state of mutiny, by insisting on constant manoeuvres and marches for practice. Both officers and men complain that considering the climate they are being worked much too hard.

In addition to plague, elsewhere mentioned, Hongkong's infectious disease record for the last week included twelve cases of smallpox, five fatal; and one imported European case of enteric fever. The smallpox patients were two European, one Japanese, one Indian, and eight Chinese.

Sixteen hours' work a day, taking his meals as the Israelites ate the Passover, is the price which Sir John Fisher pays for the abuse lavished on him by the syndicate. To one fact, as yet unnoticed, we should like to draw attention (says the *Outlook*). He has saved £5,000,000 a year on the Navy Estimates. That is enough to pay the interest on the South Africa War debt.

Members of Right Half No. 2 Coy., H.V.C., are reminded that the eighth shoot for the Nicholson Cup and the last shoot for the Northcote Cup take place on Sunday next at Tai Hang Range. A number of alterations to handicaps are notified. At the March shoot spoons were won by Gunner A. F. Warrack (102), Captain Armstrong (92), and Gunner H. C. Gray (91).

The 13th annual report of the Merchant Service Guild says: "The suspension of further appointments to the Royal Naval Reserve was a serious matter, but it seemed to be the first step in the direction of the reduction of the country's expenditure. If the Naval Reserve, however, was to be tampered with in that way, it would be a deplorably mistaken action on the part of the Government."

According to a telegram from the *New York Sun's* Chicago correspondent the Zion City Bank has refused to send Davis, who is wintering in Jamaica, any more money. In returning one of the Eljah's drafts lately, the bank's officers suggested that he should curtail his personal expenses, which were described as extravagant. According to the *New York American*, Zion City's affairs have now passed into the hands of the deacons, while Davis's downfall is complete.

The Admiralty have issued regulations respecting the arrangements to be made for the future painting of ships. Instead of the paint being mixed by hand, as hitherto, this part of the work is to be done by machinery. Mixing operations are to be carried out at depots, at which all men employed painting are to assemble. In order to give painters as much fresh air as possible, every man will be required to fetch all the paint he uses from the depot, which will be situated some distance from the place where he is employed. The present practice is to mix paints at the paint shop, and convey it ready for use to the ship in large quantities.

Dr. Rutherford Harris, M.P., who has been studying the commerce of Japan, says:—"One of the most promising investments for foreigners in Japan in the future will be the beer-brewing industry. English capital has been invested in two or three railways, but these investors, following the savings principle, are satisfied with the 4 or 5 per cent. interest the investment yields. Really enterprising British investors will not be satisfied with such returns. In this connection I do not approve of the attitude of a certain wealthy Japanese family towards the introduction of foreign capital. Evidently, from consideration of their own interests, they are putting obstacles in the way of foreign enterprise in Japan, and are also opposing the introduction of foreign capital in every possible manner."

The Hongkong Cricket Club's tennis tournament is progressing slowly, the sudden nature of the ground, caused by so much rain, making play next to impossible. In the single handicap, "A" class, F. C. Zehrmann beat G. E. H. Davis, 6-4, 5-7, 6-1; P. Gauevult beat G. E. Morris, 6-7, 7-5; G. H. Edwards beat H. G. C. Bailey, 6-4, 4-6, 6-1. In the "B" class single handicap A. H. Long beat H. J. Jackson, 9-7; G. C. Kullidge beat C. H. Mackay, 6-1, 6-1; W. King beat R. Harding, 7-5, 4-6, 6-4; J. L. McPherson beat L. E. Lamont, 6-3, 6-4; R. Henderson and T. E. Pearce defeated H. T. Jackson and A. H. Hollingworth by 6-4, 6-1, while in the professional pairs E. Humphreys and G. H. Edwards, merchants, beat J. R. Wood and G. A. Woodcock, Civil Service.

The following words are attributed by the *Boston Transcript* to the Rev. Sydney Ussher, an inspector of missions in China:—"This sending of troops to the Philippines is one of the wisest moves ever determined on by President Roosevelt and the Secretary of War," said Dr. Ussher recently. "A show of force is what impresses the Chinese above everything else. The well-founded accusations that the reception accorded to Chinese visitors in America is not courteous furnish a diplomatic pretext—not the real reason—for the boycott. The Chinese dislike the foreigners for coming in and splitting up the country, and the boycott is the chief weapon of revenge. They picked out the United States this time because they knew we would not send an army over and fight them, as France or Russia might. But the animus of the boycott is against foreign traders in general and is intended to be a sort of scare to the European nations."

By kind permission of Lt.-Col. Aitken and Officers, the band of the 119th Infantry will play the following programme at the King Edward Hotel, during dinner, on Thursday, the 19th April, 1906 (weather permitting):—

March "Tulavara".....Hume
Overture "The Rose Tree".....Suppa
Waltz "The Rose Tree".....Louthian
Selection "A Gaily Girl".....Jones
Song "The Rose Tree".....Adams
Rus Seal "The Rose Tree".....Adams
Dance Menu—Horn O'War—Scott
On Toast—Soups—Peas and Macaroni—Fish—Roast—Entrées—Larded Brisket of Chicken and Peas, Lamb Chop Cutlets and Mashed Potatoes, Pate-a-foie-gras en Aspic—Curry—Shrimp—Joint—Roast Australian Ribs of Beef, Roast Turkey and Ham—Cold Beasts—Wild Duck and Pork—Salad—Cucumber—Vegetables—Boiled Potatoes, Fried Potato Balls, Indian Corn, French Beans, Boiled Rice, Entremets—Currant Pudding, Chocolate Ice Cream and Finger Cakes, Queen Cake, Fruit, Cheese, Tea, Coffee. Preserved Ginger.

The War Secretary (Mr. Haldane), writing in reply to Mr. Tomkinson, says that the Army Council has decided that corporal punishment should be entirely abolished in military prisons, and the necessary amendments to this effect of the Army Act will be included in the Army Annual Bill.

The sensible, omnivorous reader is usually rather careless of personal appearance. Often blessed with a certain twinkle in his eyes and a something in his manner which hint at a willingness to look on the wine when it is red, although he rarely wallows in his cups, has a fondness for boon-companions, and oftener than not indulges in quite three times the allowance of sleep that Napoleon was willing to give his marshals—three hours, be it remembered. There is yet one other simile to make apropos the enviable literary browser; he is very likely to be similar to the cactus in the desert, always plump, always taking in the dew of heaven, and not so ready to give it out. This, if nothing else, sets the right sort of man apart from the Bozzy-Johnson type; for while he may be communicable he is never degenerate.

The funeral of Mr. A. T. Knapp, only son of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Knapp, took place at Yokohama on April 17th. The first portion of the funeral service was held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Knapp, and was conducted by the Rev. W. P. G. Field, M.A., Incumbent of Christ Church, who also read the burial service at the graveside. From the house the procession went to the Yokohama Cemetery, the cremated remains, enclosed in a small casket, which was covered with flowers, being borne to the grave by Dr. W. J. Davis, Dr. C. H. Hall, Dr. N. Gordon Munro and Mr. E. V. Thorn. Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Knapp were present as chief mourners, while around the grave were gathered a number of foreign and Japanese residents, whose presence bore testimony to the sympathy felt by Mr. and Mrs. Knapp in their bereavement.

DROWNED IN A RESERVOIR.

On Tuesday the body of a Chinaman was found floating in the reservoir belonging to the Hongkong Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company at Causeway Bay. It was recognised as that of Chan Po, a foreman coolie in the employ of the Company. He was last seen on Sunday, when he went to the reservoir to wash himself, the inference being that while so engaged he fell into the water and was drowned. The body was removed to the mortuary by P. S. Lee.

CHOLERA IN PROVINCE WELLESLEY.

SERIOUS OUTBREAK.

There has been a serious outbreak of cholera in Province Wellesley, near Nibong Tebal. Up to the time of writing (from Penang, April 19th) nineteen cases had occurred, of which no less than seventeen had proved fatal. The cholera has broken out at Sungai Acheh and Sungai Satar, near Nibong Tebal. The disease first appeared in the Malay kampongs there. The first victims were three Klings who died whilst on the road to Nibong Tebal. The railway has taken the matter promptly in hand, and notices that it will not convey passengers to Nibong Tebal. It is thought that the possible cause is bad water, but details are practically unobtainable at present. The Colonial Surgeon has proceeded with all haste to the scene, and further information, it is expected, will soon be forthcoming.

SHANGHAI CABLE COMPLETED.

The *Cablenews* of April 12th says:—"Last night as the hands of the clock in Manila approached the hour of midnight there was ticked off from the Manila instrument of the Commercial Pacific Cable Company the signal 'S.H.' the telegraphic call for Shanghai. This call ceased along the newly-laid 1,200 knots of cable from Manila to Wooneng near Shanghai, a cable which has been laid in 11 days in spite of the heavy tides encountered at the Shanghai end of the line. One thousand one hundred and thirty knots of this cable were laid in the first five days. On arrival at a point about twenty-five miles from Wooneng the cable ship dropped the Manila end of the cable and made for the port taking up the other end of the line and taking it along to the buoy to which was secured the Manila end. Last evening the final splices of the two ends was made and the cable put into commission. Messages of congratulation were sent from both ends. The cable was thoroughly tested and will be left in the hands of the contractors who laid it till the thirty days of daily tests have been made and the line declared."

THE IMPORT OF SACCHARINE.

GOVERNMENT'S NEW PROTECTIVE MEASURE.

The consumption of saccharine is steadily increasing in Japan and the Government has raised the customs duty on the article from ¥250 to ¥400 per kilo or catty with a view to checking its importation, as it is considered injurious to health. It is stated that, there being yet six months before the new tariff comes into force, two prominent foreign firms in Kobe have undertaken to import saccharine to the amount of fifty or sixty thousand pounds each, which will be received before the tariff is increased. Sugar refiners maintain that if this is allowed, the object of the Government in checking importation will not be gained and further that the sugar-refining industry will be seriously affected. Mr. Fujiki, of the Japan Sugar Refining Company of Osaka, is reported to have left for Tokyo on Saturday with a view to urging the Government to take action to prevent the importation of large quantities of the article in anticipation of the new tariff.

JAPANESE IN COREA.

RESTRICTIVE LEGISLATION.

A draft of an Act for the control of Japanese in Korea was recently drawn up at a meeting of Japanese residents. It is proposed that Japanese having no fixed employment shall be warned to obtain some occupation, failing which they will be deported. Japanese who intimidate or swindle Koreans, and obtain money or goods under false pretences, will also be deported, even though they have a regular business.

TELEGRAMS.

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BRITISH ROYAL VISTORS AT ATHENS.

LONDON, April 18th.

King Edward and Queen Alexandra, having arrived at Athens to witness the Olympian Games, were accorded a hearty welcome by the Hellenes.

THE SPANISH KING.

LONDON, April 18th.

King Alfonso of Spain is at Cowes.

EXPLOSION ON BRITISH BATTLESHIP.

LONDON, April 18th.

An explosion has occurred on the battleship *Prince of Wales*, by which three men were killed and four injured.

[REUTER'S SERVICE.]

GUN EXPLOSION ON AN AMERICAN WARSHIP.

LONDON, April 16th.

An explosion has occurred in the American warship *Keokuk* at gun practice, by which a lieutenant, and five men were killed and many injured.

LARGE FORTUNES IN AMERICA.

LONDON, April 16th.

President Roosevelt in a speech, said that it would ultimately become necessary to consider the adoption of a progressive tax on the transfer of unhealthy swollen fortunes, in order to prevent individuals from inheriting over a certain sum.

President Roosevelt's speech has made a sensation in America, the passage referring to large fortunes is described as advanced socialism and is anticipated to overshadow pending economic questions.

THE IMPORT OF GOLD TO THE UNITED STATES.

LONDON, April 16th.

For the purpose of encouraging the import of gold to the United States, the Secretary of the Treasury has arranged to lend banks money during the transit of gold from Europe.

THE TRIPLE ALLIANCE.

LONDON, April 16th.

The German press is inclined to deplore the Kaiser's telegram to Austria-Hungary; the message is everywhere regarded as an indirect reprimand to Italy on her attitude at the Algiers conference, in the same way as boycotting the new loan demonstrated the displeasure of Germany against Russia's attitude.

The *Frankfurter Zeitung* says that the Kaiser's telegram is a clear indication that the Triple Alliance cut but a poor figure at the Algiers Conference, and that perhaps it has already gone to pieces.

GERMANY AND THE VESUVIUS ERUPTION.

LONDON, April 16th.

The German Ambassador at Rome has tendered official condolences on the Vesuvius disaster.

ORIGINAL PROCESS FOR PUTTING OUT FIRES IN MAIN GAS-PIPES.

The great fire which took place in the main gas-pipes in Piccadilly some time ago was caused by the fall of a large steam-crane whereby 4 inch, 6 inch, and 18 inch gas pipes were exposed and broken. The escaping gas—about 14,000 cubic metres per hour—took fire immediately and immense flames of about 2½ metres cross-section rose up to a height of 10 metres. The method employed by Mr. Fulger, the engineer who arrived to put out these immense flames, was a very peculiar one. To fully close off the gas-pipes was impossible on account of the immense amount of gas which kept escaping. The 18 inch pipe was laid open as near as possible to the broken part, bored through, and a rubber sack put into each of the two holes thus formed. These bags were then filled out by means of pumps to such an extent that the gas which now escaped was reduced to 1/5 of the original amount. This rendered the work of quenching the flames at the broken part by means of water a comparatively easy manner. The same process was gone through with the other two pipes.

As life goes on there is one overwhelming feeling which comes to the average man and woman, even to those who attempt to do public service to the larger family of the country and of humanity in general; and that is that there are only two great rocks in the sea of human life, and these are affection you have from those to whom you owe your birth and from those who owe their birth to you. Friendships, passions, all kinds of things that seemed eternal, prove fragile, but these things endure for ever.

A dinner-party should, in respect of contiguity, be mixed with more than the solicitude and skill that go to make a salad. The narrow mind always wants to curb and cut down and stamp the heel of its ridiculous veto upon everything which is big enough to burst its own formulae. It would waste everything it cannot measure.

SUPREME COURT.

Wednesday, April 18th.

IN CRIMINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE SIR FRANCIS PIGOTT (CHIEF JUSTICE).

MANSLAUGHTER.

Harhaj Eoi was arraigned on the charge of feloniously killing and slaying a coolie named Ng King at Quarry Bay on March 29th.

Sir H. S. Berkeley, Attorney General, instructed by Mr. G. E. Morrell (of the Crown Solicitor's office) prosecuted, and Mr. H. G. Caldwell, instructed by Mr. J. H. Gardner (of Mr. O. D. Thomson's office), appeared for the defence.

Prisoner pleaded not guilty, and the following jury were empanelled:—Messrs A. E. Kitchin, A. B. Smith, H. Reeves, A. W. Smith, J. W. Kow, H. Harrison and F. Gomez.

The Attorney General informed the jury that the prisoner was charged with having caused the death of Ng King under circumstances which, if proved by the evidence, would amount to manslaughter. The prisoner was the chief watchman at Quarry Bay wharf, and deceased was one of several coolies employed on those works. On the morning of the 26th March Ng King was engaged with other coolies spring timber in one of the godowns. While so engaged the prisoner looked in at the door, and deceased asked him what he came there for, following up his question by swearing at him. The prisoner it appeared swore back at the deceased, went into the godown, and, as witnesses alleged, kicked him more than once on the left side of the body. One of the witnesses said the deceased attempted to run away but prisoner followed him, caught him by the queue, struck him on the side of the face and again kicked him on the body. It was said that deceased staggered from the effect of the blows he received, and a short time afterwards died. A post-mortem was subsequently held upon the body with the result that the doctor found the spleen had been ruptured and came to the conclusion that this rupture caused death.

On the evidence the jury found the prisoner guilty, but with a strong recommendation to mercy.

His Lordship sentenced him to three months' imprisonment without hard labour, the period since his arrest and detention in custody to count as part of the sentence.

POLICE COURT.

Tuesday, April 18th.

BEFORE MR. F. A. HAZELAND (FIRST POLICE MAGISTRATE).

A DRUNKEN FIREMAN.

Samuel Thompson, fireman on board the *s.s. Montagu*, was convicted of being drunk and disorderly on Monday night and fined \$3.

GAMBLERS.

Twelve coolies were charged with gambling at 49, Nullah Lane on Monday night. The principals, a man and a woman, were fined \$50 each and the remainder \$2 each.

A BLACKMAILER.

Kung Tong-wah was charged with demanding money from three women with menaces at Yuen-mui, (2) stealing, (3) damaging property to the extent of \$8. It was stated for the prosecution that defendant one day last week entered the brothel in question and demanded 70 cents. He was refused, but returned next day, when he threatened that he would result. Not satisfied with that he came back the following day, and received some more money, a performance which was repeated a day later. On Monday he entered the house and demanded \$15 from each of the three women. When this was not forthcoming he proceeded to smash the furniture and carried part of it away with him. The women informed the police, who supplied them with marked money. On Tuesday he again appeared making a similar demand, saying if he did not get the money he would chop them up. He declared he would have \$12 from each if he could not get \$15, and they gave him that amount each. When he demanded the stairs he found P.S. Appleton waiting for him. He was arrested. One of the women said defendant stated he wanted the money because he was going to join the rebels.

Defendant said he only wanted a dollar, and a half but the women gave him six dollars each.

His Worship ordered him to be imprisoned for one month on each of the charges, the sentences to run concurrently, and to be exposed in the stocks for six hours.

BEFORE MR. C. D. MELBOURNE (SECOND POLICE MAGISTRATE).

FALSE PRETENCES.

Wong Sui-ting, a salesman in the employ of a firm carrying on business at 216, Wing Lok Street, was charged at the instance of Chan Cheung, a widow, residing at 5, Po Yan Street, with obtaining \$3,000 by means of false pretences on January 18th, Mr. Otto Kong Sing appeared for the prosecution, and Mr. E. J. Grist (of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist) defended.

The case, which had been partly heard, was re-opened by Yuen Woon, a widow, residing at 8, Po Yan Street, who spoke to accompanying two men to the residence of defendant relative to the purchase of a house which her aunt and defendant were to buy in partnership. She returned with her aunt next day who handed over \$3,000, half of the price of the house. Before he could give her a receipt he was called away and though she waited for him till night he did not come back. Next day complainant went to the house and found that he had gone. The case was adjourned.

KODAKS AT HOME PRICES.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Chow Tai, German str., 1115, W. Mollarm, 18th April—Bangkok, 19th April, Rice & Timber—Butterfield & Swire.
 CHOYANG, British str., 18th April, from Canton.
 DAIJI MARU, Japanese str., 900, A. Ohta, 18th April—Shanghai, 19th April, General—Onaka Shosen Kaisha.
 ITHAKA, German steamer, 18th April, from Canton.
 KOMANO MARU, Japanese str., 3,147, H. Fraser, 18th April—Yokohama and Nagasaki, 14th April, General—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.
 NINGPO, British steamer, 18th April, from Canton.
 PROGRESS, Norw. str., 1,671, Scherenz, 18th April—Changhai 18th April, General—Angard, Thorson & Co.
 MERIDIAN, British str., 1,350, D. Davies, 18th April—Mojito 12th April, Coal—Shewan, Tomes & Co.
 TOSA MARU, Japanese str., 3,883, K. Kato, 18th April—Kobe and Moji 14th April, Matches, Tea Products and General—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

CLEANANCES.

AT THE HARBOR MASTER'S OFFICE.
 April 18th.
 Carl Diederichsen, German str., for Hoihow.
 Den of Kelly, British str., for Manila.
 Doria, British str., for Yokohama.
 Igmoon, German str., for Shanghai.

DEPARTURES.

April 17th.
 AMIRAL EXCELSIOR, French str., for Shanghai.
 BORNEO, German str., for Nagasaki.
 NEMANIA, German str., for Portland.
 April 18th.
 ABRATON ATANG, British str., for Calcutta.
 BANYAN, American str., for Manila.
 DENALIER, British str., for Nagasaki.
 BINGO MARU, Japanese str., for London.
 ENYA LUYEN, German str., for Saigon.
 EMPRESS OF INDIA, British str., for Vancouver.
 HATCHEL, British str., for Coast Ports.
 HUICHOW, British str., for Tientsin.
 KURUMAI, British str., for Shanghai.
 KWANTON, Chinese str., for Shanghai.
 MAHURU MARU, Japanese str., for Swatow.
 PAKHOI, British str., for Canton.
 SHVAL, German str., for Haiphong.
 TOTTENHAM, British str., for Yokohama.
 YAWATA MARU, Japanese str., for Japan.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

April 18th.
 VESSELS DOCKED—Chow Tai, American, Abnaka, Kowloon Dock—U.S.S. Barry, Hanoi, U.S.S. DeLong, Brand, Des Hermans, Adohara Maru, H.M.S. Vingo, Alta, Yawanga, Oeyling.
 COSMOPOLITAN DOCK—Telemaichu.

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AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	JASON	Brit. str.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE
MARSEILLES, &c. VIA PORTS OF CALL.	DEUCALION	Brit. str.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE
MARSEILLES & HAMBURG	ERNEST SIMONS	Freest.	Bourdon
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COPENHAGEN & BALTIC PORTS	AKER	Dan. str.	Wattgreen
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HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	SEGOYA	Ger. str.	Schnefeld
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	C. FELD, LAEIZ	Ger. str.	Meyerdiercks
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	STHONIA	Ger. str.	Brehmer
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NEW YORK VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL	DEN OF KELLY	Brit. str.	DODWELL & Co., Ltd.
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NEW YORK VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL	RANSA	Ger. str.	SHAW, TOMES & Co.
VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI JAPAN, &c.	EMPERESS OF JAPAN	Brit. str.	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. Co.
VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI JAPAN, &c.	MONTAGLE	Brit. str.	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. Co.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & TACOMA VIA JAPAN	TYDEUS	Brit. str.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE
SEATTLE (B.C.) & TACOMA VIA JAPAN	SHAWMUT	Am. str.	DODWELL & Co., LIMITED.
PORTLAND, OREGON VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	DAKOTA	Am. str.	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA
SAN FRANCISCO VIA PORTS	ARABIA	Ger. str.	PORTLAND & ASIATIC S.S. Co.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	DAKOTAH	Brit. str.	SHAW, TOMES & Co.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	CHINGTU	Brit. str.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	EMIRE	Brit. str.	MELCHERS & Co.
VLADIVOSTOK	PRINCE SHISHUN	Ger. str.	DODWELL & Co., Ltd.
YOKOHAMA VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE	GULF OF VENICE	Ger. str.	P. & O. S. N. Co.
YOKOHAMA VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE	PALERMO	Brit. str.	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
YOKOHAMA VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE	ORCA	Brit. str.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE
WEIHAIWEI, TSINGTAO & CHEFOO	KACHOW	Brit. str.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE
CHEFOO & NEWCHANG	KWILAN	Brit. str.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE
CHIENTSIN	KWICHOW	Brit. str.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE
CHINKIANG	NINGPO	Brit. str.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE
SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW	CHOYSANG	Brit. str.	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
SHANGHAI	BEAH	Brit. str.	P. & O. S. N. Co.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI & VLADIVOSTOK	SHAN	Brit. str.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE
SHANGHAI	DAPHNE	Ger. str.	SHAW, TOMES & Co.
SHANGHAI	WINGANG	Brit. str.	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	TRIESTE	Aus. str.	SANDER, WIELER & Co.
SHANGHAI	YCHOW	Brit. str.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE
SHANGHAI	KWONGSANG	Brit. str.	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	PRINCE HEINRICH	Ger. str.	MELCHERS & Co.
SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOW	ARPIG MARU	Jap. str.	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA
SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOW	SHAOHONG	Brit. str.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE
SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOW	SHOSHU MARU	Jap. str.	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA
TAMSAI VIA SWATOW & AMOY	DAIJI MARU	Jap. str.	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA
ANPING VIA SWATOW & AMOY	MAIDZUKU MARU	Jap. str.	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA
SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOW	HAITAN	Brit. str.	DOUGLAS LARPAIE & Co.
MANILA	LOONGKANG	Brit. str.	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
MANILA	ZAFIRO	Brit. str.	SHAW, TOMES & Co.
MANILA	RUBI	Brit. str.	SHAW, TOMES & Co.
CEBU & ILOILO	KAIFONG	Brit. str.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	KUTSANG	Brit. str.	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
JAVA PORTS	TUPANAS	Dut. str.	JAYA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE

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Highest Class, newest, fastest and most luxurious Steamers between Hongkong and Manila. Saloon amidships. Electric Light Perfect Cuisine. SURGEON and STEWARDESS carried. All the most up-to-date arrangements for comfort of Passengers.

CHINA AND MANILA

STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

STEAMSHIP	TONS	CAPTAIN	FOR	SAILING DATE
ZAFIRO	2540	R. Rodger	Manila	On 21st April, Noon.
RUBI	2540	R. Almond	Manila	On 28th April, Noon.

For Freight or Passage apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
 GENERAL MANAGERS.



HONGKONG-NEW YORK.

AMERICAN ASIATIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR NEW YORK VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL.

(WITH LIBERTY TO CALL AT THE MALABAR COAST).

S.S. "RAMSAY"	About 25th May, 1906.
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For freight and further information apply to

SHEWAN TOMES & CO.,
 GENERAL AGENTS

Hongkong, 6th April, 1906

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL

STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS
YOKOHAMA VIA SHANGHAI, PALERMO
MOJI AND KOBE	E. G. Andrews	About 19th April	Freight only.
SHANGHAI	(DELHI)	About 19th April	Freight and Passage.
	J. D. Andrews, R.N.R.		
LONDON & C. VIA USUAL PORTS	ARCADIA	Noon, 21st April	See Special Advertisement.
	W. W. Cooke, R.N.R.		
LONDON AND ANTWERP	SOCOTRA	About 25th April	Freight only.
VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG
COLOMBO PORT SAID AND MARSEILLES	W. R. Hickey		

For further Particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWETT,
 Superintendent.

Hongkong, 9th April, 1906.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO.

LIMITED.

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS
SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW	"CHOYSANG"	Thursday, 19th April, 4 P.M.	
MANILA	"LOONGSANG"	Friday, 20th April, 4 P.M.	
SHANGHAI	"WINGSANG"	Saturday, 21st April, 4 P.M.	
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"KUNGSANG"	Tuesday, 24th April, 3 P.M.	
SHANGHAI	"KWONGSANG"	Tuesday, 24th April, 4 P.M.	

* These steamers have superior accommodation for First-Class Passengers and are fitted throughout with Electric Light.
 † Taking Cargo on Through Bills of Lading to Chefoo, Tientsin, Newchwang & Yangtze Ports.
 For Freight or Passage, apply to
 JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
 GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 12th April, 1906.

GREAT NORTHERN STEAMSHIP COMPANY

FOR SEATTLE, VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA (PASSING THROUGH THE INLAND SEA OF JAPAN).

THE MAGNIFICENT NEW TWIN-SCREW STEAMERS,

"MINNESOTA" AND "DAKOTA"

(EACH TONS 20,718 GROSS REG.)

Will be despatched from HONGKONG as follows:
 "DAKOTA," Captain E. FRANKCE, On MONDAY, 23rd APRIL, 1906.
 "MINNESOTA," Captain J. H. RINDER, On TUESDAY, 12th JUNE, 1906.

Conveying Cargo to the Pacific Coast, United States, and Canadian Overland Common Points also Passengers to the United States, Europe, &c.
 These Steamers are luxuriously fitted with spacious SUITES and STATEROOMS; equipped with CIRCUIT LIFTING LIBRARY, MUSIC, SMOKE ROOMS, BARBER SHOP, NURSERY, STEAM LAUNDRY, &c.
 Special provision is made for the safe transit of SILK, TREASURE, and Valuable Cargo, and PARCELS carried at low rates to all points of U.S.A. in connection with the Great Northern and Northern Pacific Express Companies.
 Trans-Pacific Cabin Passengers by this line can, if desired, TRAVEL BY RAIL between the ports of Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama WITHOUT EXTRA CHARGE. Also FIRST-CLASS RETURN TICKETS for Shanghai and Japan Ports are available for return by the steamers of the REGULAR MAIL LINES.
 For Freight or Passage, apply to

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA,

AGENTS.

Hongkong, 20th December, 1905.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.'S

ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

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THE ONLY LINE THAT MAINTAINS A REGULAR SCHEDULE SERVICE OF 12 Days across the Pacific is the "EMPERESS LINE." Saving 3 to 7 days' Ocean Travel 12 DAYS YOKOHAMA to VANCOUVER. 21 DAYS HONGKONG to VANCOUVER.

R.M.S.	PROPOSED SAILINGS.	(Subject to Alteration)	LEAVE HONGKONG	ARRIVE VANCOUVER.
"MONTEAGLE"	5,500 Tons	...	WEDNESDAY, 2nd May	26th May
"EMPERESS OF JAPAN"	6,000	...	WEDNESDAY, 9th May	30th May
"TARTAR"	4,425	...	WEDNESDAY, 23rd May	16th June
"EMPERESS OF CHINA"	6,000	...	WEDNESDAY, 30th May	20th June
"EMPERESS OF INDIA"	6,000	...	WEDNESDAY, 30th June	11th July
"ATHENIAN"	3,882	...	WEDNESDAY, 27th June	21st July

THE Quickest route to CANADA, UNITED STATES AND EUROPE, (calling at SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI (through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN), KOBE, YOKOHAMA, VICTORIA, connecting at VANCOUVER with the Company's PALATIAL OVERLAND TRAINS, DAILY from the PACIFIC to the ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE.

Hongkong to London, 1st Class, via St. Lawrence £60; via New York £62. Intermediate on Steamers "£40," "£42."

R.M.S. "MONTEAGLE," "TARTAR," and "ATHENIAN" carry "Intermediate" passengers only to intermediate rates, affording superior accommodation for that class. Passengers Booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD. SPECIAL RATES (First class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of Chinese and Japanese Governments.

For further information, Maps, Route, Handbooks, Rates of Passage and Freight, apply to

D. E. BROWN, General Agent,
 Corner Fodder Street and Praya, opposite Blake Pier

PORTLAND & ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, SHANGHAI VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA FOR

OPERATING IN CONNECTION WITH THE OREGON RAILROAD & NAVIGATION CO.

STEAMSHIP	TONS	CAPTAIN	TO SAIL AT NOON
"ARABIA"	4,483	Meisenstein	May 22nd, 1906.
"ARAGONIA"	5,198	Ernst	June 11th, 1906.
"NICOMEDIA"	4,370	Wagemann	June 21st, 1906.
"NEMANIA"	4,370	Feldmann	July 4th, 1906.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Points and to Eastern, Canadian and United States Ports. For rates of Freight and further information, communicate with or apply to
 S. SILVERSTONE, ACTING GENERAL AGENT.
 Hongkong, 29th March, 1906.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK.

VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL (WITH LIBERTY TO CALL AT MALABAR COAST).

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, 1906

"DEN OF KELLY" ... 18th April. To follow.

"SATSUMA" ... 18th April. To follow.

For Freight and further information, apply to DODWELL & Co., Ltd., Agents.

Hongkong, 3rd March, 1906. 2135

FOR VLADIVOSTOK.

THE Steamship
 "GULF OF VENICE," 5022 Tons, will be despatched for VLADIVOSTOK TO-MORROW, 20th April, to be followed by "ORANGE BRANCH" 3435 Tons. "VINE

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

The *Delhi*, with the English mail of the 23rd March, left Singapore on Saturday, the 14th instant, at 5 p.m., and may be expected here to-day. This packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 20th February, and the parcel mails closed in London for despatch by the all sea route on the 14th March, and for despatch overland on the 21st March.

The *Korea*, with the American mail left Shanghai on Tuesday, the 17th instant, and may be expected here on or about to-day, between 5 to 6 p.m.

MAILS WILL CLOSE

FOR	PER	DATE
Swatow and Hongkong	Loosch	Thursday, 19th, 9.00 A.M.
Hailow and Hongkong	Heindal	Thursday, 19th, 9.00 A.M.
Amoy, Swatow, Singapore, Samarang and Sourabaya	Mirapi	Thursday, 19th, 11.00 A.M.
Macao	Heungshan	Thursday, 19th, 1.15 P.M.
Chienkiang	Ningpo	Thursday, 19th, 3.00 P.M.
Swatow and Shanghai	Changang	Thursday, 19th, 5.00 P.M.
Rangoon, Colombo and Bombay	Tuan Maru	Thursday, 19th, 5.00 P.M.
Manila, Zamboanga, Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth	Chinglu	Friday, 20th, 3.00 P.M.
Manila, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth	Loongang	Friday, 20th, 3.00 P.M.
Manila, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth	Kumano Maru	Friday, 20th, 3.00 P.M.
Manila, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth	Kanchoo	Friday, 20th, 3.00 P.M.
Manila, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth	Zafra	Saturday, 21st, 10.00 A.M.
Manila, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth	Printed Matter and Samples	Saturday, 21st, 10.00 A.M.
Manila, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth	Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.	Saturday, 21st, 10.00 A.M.
Manila, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth	Registration, Kowloon R.O.	Saturday, 21st, 10.00 A.M.
Manila, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth	Letters	Saturday, 21st, 11.00 A.M.
Manila, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth	Heungshan	Saturday, 21st, 1.15 P.M.
Manila, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth	Shant	Saturday, 21st, 3.00 P.M.
Manila, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth	Wingang	Saturday, 21st, 3.00 P.M.
Manila, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth	Haitan	Saturday, 21st, 5.00 P.M.
Manila, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth	Obra	Saturday, 21st, 5.00 P.M.
Manila, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth	Dakota	Monday, 23rd, 11.00 A.M.
Manila, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth	Kwailia	Monday, 23rd, 3.00 P.M.
Manila, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth	Kuhsang	Tuesday, 24th, 2.00 P.M.
Manila, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth	Yongang	Tuesday, 24th, 3.00 P.M.
Manila, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth	Daphne	Tuesday, 24th, 3.00 P.M.

TO-DAY.

Sale, Household Furniture, Sales Rooms, Mr. F. Kline, 11 a.m.
Sale, Silver Ware, &c., Sales Rooms, Mr. Geo. P. Lamont, 2.30 p.m.

COMMERCIAL.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

ON LONDON. April 18th.
Telegraphic Transfer 2/0
Bank Bills, on demand 2/0
Bank Bills, at 30 days sight 2/0
Bank Bills, at 4 months sight 2/0
Credits, at 4 months sight 2/1
Documentary Bills, 4 months sight 2/1

ON PARIS.
Bank Bills, on demand 2/58
Credits, at 4 months sight 2/62

ON GERMANY.
On demand 2/10

ON NEW YORK.
Bank Bills, on demand 4/9
Credits, 60 days sight 5/0

ON BOMBAY.
Telegraphic Transfer 1/54
Bank, on demand 1/54

ON CALCUTTA.
Telegraphic Transfer 1/54
Bank, on demand 1/54

ON SHANGHAI.
Bank, at sight 7/12
Credits, 60 days sight 7/12

ON YOKOHAMA.
On demand 1/00

ON MANILA.
On demand 1/00

ON SINGAPORE.
On demand 1/00

ON BATAVIA.
On demand 1/00

ON HONGKONG.
On demand 1/00

ON BANGKOK.
On demand 1/00

SOVEREIGNS, Bank's Buying Rate 5/0
GOLD LEAF, 100 fine per tola 51.00
BAR SILVER, per 100 20.25

OPIUM.

Quotations are—Allow no net. to 1 catty.

Malwa New 1/050 to — per picul.

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JOINT STOCK SHARES.

COMPANY.	PAID UP.	QUOTATIONS.
Hongkong, April 18th.		
Alhambra	\$200	\$100.
Banks—		
Hongkong & Shanghai	\$125	\$80, sales
National B. of China		\$104, buyers
A. Shares	25	\$40, buyers
Bell's Asbestos E. A.	125	\$71.
China-Borneo Co.	\$12	\$64, sellers
China Light & P. Co.	\$10	\$9, x d. buyers
China Provident	\$10	\$9, sales
Cotton Mills—		
Ewo	15	\$15, sal. & buy.
Hongkong	\$10	\$164, sales
International	75	\$15, buyers
Loon Kung Mow	15	\$104.
Looyah	15	\$104.
Dairy Farm	\$8	\$10, sellers
Docks and Wharves—		
Furnham, B. & Co.	15	\$118, buyers
H. & K. Wharf & G.	\$50	\$104, buyers
H. & W. Dock	\$50	\$104, buyers
New Ancoy Dock	\$61	\$17, buyers
Shai & H. Wharf	15	\$104.
Fenwick & Co., Geo.	\$25	\$21, sellers
G. Island Cement	\$10	\$20.
Hongkong & C. G.	\$10	\$17, buyers
Hongkong Electric	\$10	\$64, sales
Do. New	\$10	\$16, sales
H. H. L. Tramways	\$100	\$225, buyers
Hongkong Hotel Co.	\$60	\$133, sal. & buy.
Hongkong Ice Co.	\$25	\$23, buyers
Hongkong Rope Co.	\$50	\$143, sellers
H. Kong S. Waterboat	\$10	\$10, sellers
Insurance—		
Canton	\$50	\$355.
China Fire	\$30	\$86, buyers
China Traders	\$25	\$30, buyers
Hongkong Fire	\$50	\$30, buyers
North China	\$25	\$16, buyers
Union	\$100	\$790, buyers
Yangtze	\$60	\$190.
Land and Building—		
Hongkong Land	\$109	\$116, buyers
Humphrey's Estate	\$10	\$114, sal. & buy.
Kowloon Land & B.	\$30	\$39, sal. & buy.
Shanghai Land	15	\$118.
West Point Building	\$50	\$63, sellers
Mining—		
Charbonnages	100	\$400.
Raubs	18/10	\$3.
Philippine Co.	20	\$51.
Refineries—		
China Sugar	\$100	\$150, sellers
Luzon Sugar	\$100	\$25.
Steamship Companies—		
China and Manila	\$25	\$18.
Douglas Steamship	\$15	\$41, buyers
H. Canton & M.	\$15	\$25, sellers
Indo-China S. N. Co.	\$10	\$35, buyers
Shell Transport Co.	\$1	\$26, buyers
Star Ferry	\$10	\$32, buyers
Do. New	\$5	\$23, sellers
Shanghai & H. Dyeing	\$50	\$50.
South China M. Post.	\$25	\$20, sellers
Steam Laundry Co.	\$5	\$7, sellers
Do. Fourde's	\$10	\$61, sellers
Stores & Dispensaries—		
Campbell, M. & Co.	\$10	\$32.
Powell & Co., Wm.	\$10	\$101, x d.
Watkins	\$10	\$9, sellers
Watson & Co., A. S.	\$10	\$13, buyers
United Asbestos	\$4	\$9.
Do. Fourde's	\$10	\$100.

VERNON & SMYTH, Brokers.

HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From April 19th to 25th, 1906.
To correct Zone Time add 23 min. and 18 sec.

H. M. S. S.	HIGH WATER.		LOW WATER.	
	Time.	Height.	Time.	Height.
Thurs 19	7.38	4.9	1.19	1.8
Fri 20	8.4	5.1	1.19	1.8
Sat 21	9.4	5.1	1.19	1.8
Sun 22	10.4	5.1	1.19	1.8
Mon 23	11.4	5.1	1.19	1.8
Tue 24	12.4	5.1	1.19	1.8
Wed 25	13.4	5.1	1.19	1.8

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Hongkong, 25th October, 1905.

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NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

FROM HAMBURG, ROTTERDAM, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE H.A.L. Steamship

"DORTMUND."

Captain Wagner, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before To-day. Any Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 20th April, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 20th April, at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE, Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 14th April, 1906. [882]

"BARBER" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "WYAT CASTLE."

FROM STRAITS AND NEW YORK.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 20th inst. will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 25th inst., or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 20th inst., at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by DODWELL & CO., LIMITED.

Hongkong, 14th April, 1906. [89]

S.S. "POLYNESIA."

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London ex.s.s. Charante and Medoc, from Havre ex.s.s. Medoc, from Bordeaux ex.s.s. Ville de Marseille, in connection with above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risks into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before Noon To-day, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after Monday, the 23rd April, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before 23rd April, or they will not be recognised.

All damaged packages will be examined on Monday, the 23rd April, at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, 16th April, 1906. [2]

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "BENALDER."

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 23rd inst. will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 30th inst., or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 23rd inst., at 11 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by GLEB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 16th April, 1906. [301]